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Clinton, Maine

Year ending February 27

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Clinton High School 1903 - 1953

From old records it is indicated that the taxpayers had their problems fifty years ago. It states as follows: "that there seems to be a need of something being done to better the condition of the old school building. The building should be thoroughly renovated and repaired, the cellar drained, or a new lot secured and a suitable building erected for the accommodation of the schools".

A committee of three was appointed on Mar. 6, 1902 consisting of Frank L. Besse, Chairman, Manley Morrison, and W. G. Foster. They were instructed to see what would be required to buy a lot and build and report at a later meeting.

After viewing three locations the committee decided to purchase a lot from Caroline Woodsum and a piece of land from Frank L. Besse for the sum of \$600.00.

At a meeting on May 8, 1902 a committee consisting of Frank L. Besse, A. A. Shaw, and Manley Morrison was appointed to secure plans and prepare the necessary details for the commencing of the work. The foundation was started the latter part of July with Mr. Wyman from Benton in charge of the construction. The building was completed in January 1903. The total cost of construction was \$8,034.00. The sum of \$1,000.00 was first appropriated on March 6, 1902. On May 8, 1902 at a special town meeting the sum of \$5,500.00 was raised. At another special town meeting on Nov. 27, 1902 it was voted to sell the old school-house and use the proceeds to help finance the construction of the new school. A sum of \$600.00 was also appropriated at this meeting.

The first day of school in the new building was on Feb. 9, 1903 with Ralph C. Bean as principal. The grammar and primary schools was also located in the building with Miss Ida E. Bean and Miss Gertrude M. Haines as teachers.

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH

Annual Report

OF THE

SELECTMEN

AND

Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

Town of Clinton

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 15, 1954

1954

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Town Officers of Clinton

ELECTIVE OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Maxwell Ward

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Carroll W. Keene, Chairman

Keith Hunter

Edward Bessey

TOWN CLERK

Ira A. Witham

FIRE WARDEN

George Tibbetts

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Myron E. Watson, term expires 1954

John Stephens, term expires 1955

Alice K. Witham, term expires 1956

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Irvin M. Holt, term expires 1954

Edith P. Brown, term expires 1955

Frank A. Besse, term expires 1956

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

TOWN MANAGER, TREASURER, COLLECTOR

Harold L. Bean

HEALTH OFFICER

C. H. Newcomb, M. D.

CONSTABLES

Myron E. Watson

Glen Irish

Harold L. Bean

SEXTONS

Village and Evergreen Cemeteries, George A. Waldron
Morrison's Corner, Floyd Strickland

Town House Hill and Nobles Ferry, Coburn Raymond
Joy, Frank I. Patterson

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

William G. Springer

AUDITOR

State Department of Audit

TRUANT OFFICER

Myron E. Watson

FENCE VIEWERS

Amos Flewelling

John Darling

Arthur Brown

Inventory for Year 1953

1953 VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

Real Estate:

Resident	\$554,350.00
Non-Resident	140,665.00
	<hr/> \$695,015.00

Personal Estate:

Resident	\$ 84,368.00
Non-Resident	34,525.00
	<hr/> \$118,893.00
	<hr/> \$813,908.00

TAXABLE LIVESTOCK

KIND	No.	AVE. VALUE	TOTAL
Horses	85	\$62.00	\$ 5,275.00
Colts	1	50.00	50.00
Steers, Oxen, Bulls	28	50.00	1,400.00
Milk Cows	869	50.00	43,450.00
Two-year-olds	176	35.00	6,160.00
Eighteen months	87	20.00	1,740.00
Sheep	49	6.00	294.00
Goats	10	10.00	100.00
Chickens	83,300	.10 ³ / ₄	9,020.00
Fowl	790	.50	344.00
			<hr/> \$67,833.00

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TAXABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in Trade	\$ 18,300.00
Unmanufactured Materials	12,000.00
Portable Mills	100.00
Gasoline Pumps	1,975.00
Tractors	6,090.00
Machinery and Equipment	7,200.00
Other Property	5,375.00
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	\$ 51,040.00
Total	<hr/>
	\$118,873.00

Rate of Taxation .075

Amount raised on Real and Personal

Estate including Overlay	\$61,043.10
420 Polls @ \$3.00	1,260.00
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Total Committed to Collector	\$ 62,303.10

Appropriations

Amounts appropriated at Annual Town Meeting
March 2, 1953, approved by Ira A. Witham,
Town Clerk

Town Manager's Salary	\$ 2,800.00
Bonded Debt	3,000.00
School Committee	75.00
Support of Poor	2,000.00
Officer's Salaries	1,000.00
Insurance	889.20
Care of Cemeteries	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Schools	23,105.00
School Repairs	932.00
Superintendence	1,134.00
Highways and Bridges	4,000.00
Battle Ridge Road	700.00
State Aid Construction	1,200.00
Special Resolve Maintenance	300.00
Cutting Bushes	200.00
Tarring Hill Road	900.00
Horseback Road	225.00
Phillip Wright Road	225.00
Stanley Gerald Road	225.00
Gus Gustafson Road	225.00
Thomas Courtney Road	225.00
Edgar Hunter Road	500.00
Willard Ayers Jr. Road	500.00
Pleasant Street Sidewalk	750.00
Aid to Dependent Children	700.00
Town Hall	750.00
Snow Removal	4,500.00

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Street Lights	1,203.84
Fire Protection	700.00
Memorial Day	60.00
Public Health Nurse	125.00
Dental Clinic	100.00
Firemen's Salaries	500.00
Publicity Bureau	25.00
Hydrant Rental	2,625.00
Brown Memorial Library	650.00
Town Dump	200.00
Oil Furnace for High School	750.00
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To appropriate by taxation	\$ 59,199.04
Appropriated from cash surplus for schools	5,000.00
Transferred by vote from Excise Tax to Tarring Horseback Road	1,200.00

Treasurer's Report

For Year Ending February 15, 1954

Received:

Cash on hand, February 15, 1953	\$ 5,564.46
Harold L. Bean, 1953 taxes	58,263.35
1952 taxes	1,211.08
1950 taxes	7.74
1949 taxes	328.70
1948 taxes	3.52
Excise tax 1953	3,969.54
Excise tax 1954	2,098.44
1952 Tax Liens	761.67
1951 Tax Liens	381.23
1950 Tax Liens	38.70
1949 Tax Liens	36.40
State, Accounts receivable	17.75
Belfast, Accounts receivable	32.52
Howland, Accounts receivable	221.05
Harold L. Bean, Accounts receivable	21.12
Waterville Savings Bank, Sinking Fund	237.50
State, refund on Hern Bridge	4.25
Levi Decker, cemetery trust fund	200.00
Inza F. Adams, cemetery trust fund	100.00
U. S. Fidelity & Guarantee Co., town hall damage	265.15
Tax Lien costs	147.12
State, Bank stock tax	95.11
State, Dog license refund	60.16
Refund on Telephone Tolls	2.55
H. A. Chamberlain, insurance refund	14.57
Charles Merrill, School Dept., refund	84.35
Town Hall rent	269.00
George Tibbetts, fire dept. refunds	6.00
State, forest fire reimbursement	10.00
Town of Benton, town dump	100.00
H. A. Chamberlain, insurance refund on grader	47.59

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Somerst-Drive-In, grader work	476.00
Town of Canaan, sale of Clorde	23.00
State, Highway reimbursement	39.74
Town of Canaan, grading	10.00
Irvin Holt, grading	100.00
State, snow removal	2,380.00
Levi Miller, hauling snow	1.00
State, State Aid consteuction	1,337.68
State, Town road improvement fund	2,457.65
Town Poor, Case No. 1, reimbursement	408.00
Town Poor, Case No. 13, 1952 bill, reimbursement	75.00
Town of Parkman, Case No. 2	165.45
City of Belfast, Case No. 1	222.02
Town of Howland, Case No. 3	142.77
U. S. Treasurer, Case No. 3	68.27
State, account of poor	1,350.08
School Tuition	443.18
State School Fund	16,759.89
Thomas Simons, sale of motor	3.00
Thomas Simons, sale of coal	45.00
Boothby & Bartlett, insurance refund	74.00
James Striar, high school lights	2,970.00
Brown Co., interest	406.00
State stipend	45.50
American Tel. & Tel. Co., interest	18.00
The George Putnam Fund, interest	750.00
Harold L. Bean, petty cash fund	50.00
Ronald & Vesta Williams, Town Farm payments	204.16
Interest on Taxes	12.38
Interest on Tax Liens	78.51
Smith & Co., temporary loan	24,547.50
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	\$130,264.31
Less Warrants No. 1 to 50	<hr/>
	\$123,880.47
Cash balance, February 15, 1954	<hr/>
	\$ 6,383.84

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. BEAN, TREASURER

Tax Collector's Report

Amount committed	\$62,303.10	
Supplemental	54.00	
Refund on overpayment	3.72	
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Total to account for		\$62,360.82
Abatements	\$ 212.25	
Uncollected taxes	3,885.22	
Cash to Treasurer	58,263.35	
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		\$62,360.82

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Merlon Joy	\$ 3.00	
Leo Perkins	3.00	
Thomas Reid	3.00	
Ernest Morse	3.00	
Linwood Morse	3.00	
Randell D. Murch	3.00	
Edwin Smith	3.00	
Fernand Poulin	3.00	
Carrol McAllister, Jr.	3.00	
Eza Chadwick	3.00	
Carroll McAllister	3.00	
Charles Dodge	3.00	
Clayton Hunt	3.00	
Fernand Pellitier	3.00	
Clifton Snell	3.00	
William Gordon	3.00	
Duane Thomas	3.00	
Ross Holt, Jr.	3.00	
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		\$ 54.00

ABATEMENTS

Milan Jones, no tractor	\$ 5.25
Clinton Doak, over age	3.00
Adelard Martel, error	7.50
Allen Faulkner, error	7.50
Archie Rediker, duplicate assessment	3.00
Archie Kent, deceased	3.00
Arland Lewis, no tractor	5.25
George Dixon, veteran	3.00
Norman Richardson, deceased	3.00
Richard Topham, over age	3.00
Norman Dean, error	7.50
Olivia Lacombe, no bull	3.75
John Booker, disabled veteran	148.50
Everett Dickey, Jr., paid in Liberty	3.00
Emile Poitras, paid in Waterville	3.00
Arthur Antonick, unknown	3.00
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	\$ 212.25

UNCOLLECTED TAXES - 1953

LaForest Bailey	\$199.27
Frank Bickford	30.00
E. G. Braley heirs	37.50
Kenneth and Jeannette Chesley	33.75
Victor and Linnie Colby	37.50
Thomas Courtney, Jr.	140.25
George Dixon	73.65
Warren Duprey	215.25
Lloyd Dwyer	108.00
Donald Dyer	105.00
Cora Estes	66.25
William Fuller	45.00
Floyd Giles	52.50
Mansfield Goodrich	26.75
Carlton and Louise Green	116.15
Mark Grant, Jr.	3.00
Bert Greeley	3.00
Arnold and Clara Hanscom	78.75
Charles Harding	3.00
Carl Ireland	44.25
Cora B. Knight	178.89
William B. Lambertson heirs	63.75
William LaMoore	9.37
Clarence LaGrange	26.25
Geneva Lovell	22.50
Lermond Mower, Jr,	67.50

Charles McIntyre	78.00
Ernest McAllister, Devisee of	50.63
Carroll McAllister	127.50
Clarence McDonald	3.00
Annie Newman heirs	30.00
Edward Patterson	16.88
Oral and Vivian Perry	70.00
Emile Poitras	60.25
Alton Pooler	29.25
Ray and Vella Proctor	136.50
Norton Roy	100.13
Donald Reid	142.50
Edward Reid	3.00
Wilfred Raymond	3.00
Edmund Robinson	3.00
Gertrude Simpson	64.38
Edwin Stearns	25.50
Gladys Sullivan	37.50
Harold Sprague	10.13
Clifton Stewart	3.00
Galen Tapley	63.75
Myra P. Thurston	48.75
Francis A. Tuttle	30.00
Ernest Tuttle heirs	15.00
Francis A. Tuttle, Jr.	15.00
Angello Tardiff	3.00
Merlon Webber	18.75
Albert Wells	52.50
Ronald and Vesta Williams	135.37
Fred L and Eleanor Wood	54.12
Carl L. Wright	101.50
Vinal and Gladys Young	101.25

NON-RESIDENT

Gene Carter	13.12
Edward Doucette	45.00
Amos Eldridge heirs	9.38
Esther Freeman	172.50
Robert Gagnon	60.00
Alvin C. Jagels	11.25
Fred Killam	11.25
Wilfred Michaud	22.50
Maurice Nadeau	48.75
Rockland Poultry Co.	52.50
Onal Salisbury heirs	18.75

\$ 3,885.22

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1950 TAXES

Balance due February 14, 1953	\$	44.25
Written off, uncollectable		44.25

1949 TAXES

Balance due February 14, 1953		\$ 746.58
Cash to Treasurer	328.70	
Written off, uncollectable	417.88	
	<hr/>	\$ 746.58

1948 TAXES

Balance due February 14, 1953		\$ 72.24
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 3.52	
Written off, uncollectable	62.20	
Unpaid	6.52	
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Unpaid

Emile Bedard	\$	3.52
Norman Sturtevant		3.00

EXCISE TAX

Received	\$6,067.98
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EXPENDITURES

Tarring Horseback road	\$1,200.00
Refund	3.60
Pratt Fund interest	60.00
Temporary loan interest	452.50
Bond interest	321.61
Unexpended	4,030.27
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	\$6,067.98

1952 TAX LIENS

Expire November 18, 1954

Liens filed by Harold L. Bean, Coll.		\$1,423.04
Redeemed during year	\$ 761.67	
Liens outstanding February 15, 1954	661.37	
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		\$1,423.04

Frank Bickford	\$ 34.80	
E. G. Braley heirs	43.50	
Kenneth and Jeannette Chesley	14.80	
Victor Colby	8.50	
Cora Estes	60.90	
Floyd Giles	60.90	
Arnold Hanscom	52.20	
William LaMoore	10.87	
Lermond E. Mower, Jr.	78.30	
Annie Newman heirs	34.80	
Ray Proctor	104.40	
Edwin Stearns	26.10	
Ivan Stewart	38.30	
Ivan Stewart	26.10	
Ernest Tuttle heirs	29.00	
Raymond Wyman	13.75	
Alvin Jagels	11.10	
Fred Killam	13.05	
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		\$ 661.37

1951 TAX LIENS — EXPIRED

Balance due February 14, 1953		\$ 534.89
Redeemed during year	\$ 381.23	
Liens outstanding February 15, 1954	153.66	
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		\$ 534.89
Kenneth and Jeannette Chesley	\$ 29.00	
Cora Estes	59.50	
Annie Newman heirs	34.00	
Ernest Tuttle heirs	14.16	
Wilfred Michaud	17.00	
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		\$ 153.66

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1950 TAX LIENS — EXPIRED

Balance due February 14, 1953		\$ 127.57
Redeemed during year	\$ 38.70	
Liens outstanding February 15, 1954	88.87	
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		\$ 127.57
 Cora Estes	 \$ 25.80	
Annie Newman heirs	34.40	
Ernest Tuttle heirs	28.67	
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		\$ 88.87

1949 TAX LIENS — EXPIRED

Balance due February 14, 1953		\$ 257.32
Redeemed during year	\$ 36.40	
Liens outstanding February 15, 1954	221.02	
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		\$ 257.32
 Kenneth and Jeannette Chesley	 \$ 36.40	
Annie Newman heirs	36.40	
Ernest Tuttle heirs	11.62	
W. S. Flood heirs	136.50	
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		\$ 221.02

1948 TAX LIENS — EXPIRED

Balance due February 14, 1953		\$ 167.20
Annie Newman heirs	\$ 35.20	
W. S. Flood	132.00	
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Liens outstanding February 15, 1954		\$ 167.20

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Ledger Balance, February 14, 1953	\$ 312.79	
Received	292.44	
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Due on old account		\$ 20.35

Due on 1953 accounts:

State, account of poor	\$ 105.18	
Belfast, account of poor	106.92	
Bath, account of poor	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 237.10
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		\$ 257.45

BONDED DEBT

Bonds outstanding February 14, 1953	\$18,000.00
Paid Federal Trust Co.	3,000.00
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Bonds outstanding February 15, 1954	\$15,000.00

SINKING FUND INVESTMENT

Waterville Savings Bank Book No. 57784	\$ 214.87
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CEMETERY TRUST FUND INVESTMENT

Invested:

600 shares George Putnam Fund	\$12,552.00	
Waterville Savings Bank, time deposit	400.00	
American Tel. & Tel. Co. stock	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$13,152.00

General Accounts

TOWN MANAGER'S SALARY

Appropriation	\$ 2,800.00
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EXPENDITURES

Harold L. Bean	\$ 2,800.00
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TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00
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EXPENDITURES

Selectmen :

Carroll W. Keene	\$ 200.00
Keith Hunter	200.00
Edward Bessey	200.00
Ira A. Witham, Town Clerk	50.00
Maxwell Ward, Moderator	10.00
C. H. Newcomb, M. D., Health Officer	30.50
Myron Watson, Truant Officer	25.00
Myron Watson, Constable	28.00
George Tibbetts, Fire Warden	150.00
Unexpended	106.50
	\$ 1,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00
U. S. Fidelity & Guarantee Co., damage on town hall	265.15
Tax Lien costs	147.12

State of Maine, Bank Stock tax	95.11
Refund on Telephone Tolls	2.55
H. A. Chamberlain, insurance refund	14.57
Charles Merrill, School refund	84.35
State of Maine, Dog tax refund	60.16
Supplemental taxes	60.00
Overdraft	528.09
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	\$ 2,257.10

EXPENDITURES

Mrs. E. L. McKenney, P. M., postage \$	40.11
Omar C. Gerald, Acting P.M., postage	43.19
George Waldron, labor	59.78
Fairfield Publishing Co., printing	458.05
Waterville Sentinel, advertising	21.00
Laurence Stinson, plumbing	79.15
L. N. Violette Co., labor and material	184.00
Harold Willey, material	2.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	119.47
Delia Brown, ballot clerk	10.00
Sarah Peavey, ballot clerk	10.00
Martha Adams, ballot clerk	5.00
Iona Rines, ballot clerk	10.00
Blanche Gerald, ballot clerk	10.00
Lois Keene, ballot clerk	5.00
Treas. of State, use fuel tax license	1.00
Charles T. Barney, supplies	1.49
Maine Municipal Association, dues	45.00
R. & G. Typewriter, repairs	20.00
Marks Printing House, supplies	30.99
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	39.10
Llewelyn Decker, bonds	60.00
Harold L. Bean, lien costs	77.42
Clifford Dixon, labor	5.25
W. W. Berry Co., supplies	1.65
LaVerdiere's Drug Store, supplies	10.21
Kennebec County Register of Deeds, recording liens	33.00
H. A. Chamberlain, insurance	49.22
Federal Trust Co., supplies	32.35
Frank True, supplies	1.00
Hutchins Brothers, supplies	3.92
Irvin M. Holt, insurance	281.43
Niehoff & Niehoff, legal counsel	75.00
J. H. Morse Co., supplies	84.35

E. E. Davis, running town line	5.00
Treas. of State, audit	320.51
Ovid Pomerleau, medical service	5.00
Ira Witham, Sr., town clerk's expense	17.46
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	\$ 2,257.10

TOWN HALL

Appropriation	\$ 750.00
Rent of hall	269.00
Overdraft	135.61
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	\$ 1,154.61

EXPENDITURES

George Waldron, janitor	\$ 129.01
Pineland Oil Co., fuel	1.70
Dirigo Co., fuel	426.84
Laurence Stinson, plumbing	21.50
Central Maine Power Co.	141.27
Walter Scott, labor	1.50
Clinton Water District	69.52
Irving Crommett, labor	4.50
Edwards & Walker, supplies	7.70
Sears & Roebuck Co., supplies	12.58
Wakely Brothers, repairs	101.96
Bean's General Store, supplies	65.36
Marion Bean, banquet hall janitor	22.00
Charles Flagg, labor	10.00
Maurice Howard, labor	4.00
W. M. Keene, supplies	32.60
Keith Webber, labor	2.50
Erwin Wiswell, electrical repairs	40.55
L. L. Gerald, supplies	1.49
Waterville Plumbing & Hardware Co., supplies	40.20
Galusha's Garage, supplies	4.48
George McKenney, supplies	.75
Lyndell Weymouth, oil burner repairs	12.60
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	\$ 1,154.61

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$	75.00
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EXPENDITURES

Myron E. Watson	25.00
Alice K. Witham	25.00
John Stevens	25.00
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	\$ 75.00

FIRE PROTECTION

Appropriation	\$	700.00
Received from George Tibbetts		6.00
Overdraft		235.82
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	\$	941.82

EXPENDITURES

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$	109.33
Llewellyn Decker, insurance		59.00
Eastern Fire Equipment Co., Supplies		6.00
Galusha's Garage, supplies		51.10
Marcellus Cain, insurance		25.68
Blanchard Associates, supplies		171.38
H. A. Chamberlain, insurance		58.50
George McKenney, supplies		260.83
Clinton Volunteer Fire Dept., rent		200.00
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	\$	941.82

FIREMEN'S SALARIES

Appropriation	\$	500.00
Received from State		10.00
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	\$	510.00

EXPENDITURES

George Tibbetts	\$	49.50
Myron Watson		48.50
Earl Pratt		31.00
Leon Starbird		16.00

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Donald Starbird	18.00
Edward Page	11.00
Willis Page	10.00
Raymond Wyman	11.00
Clifton Kinney	4.00
Glen Irish	8.00
Ray Proctor, Jr.	6.00
Harold Stinson	17.00
Carlton Walker	5.00
Reginald Pillsbury	7.00
Ercell Moore	7.00
Leo Willett	11.00
Wendell Gibson	6.50
Foster Cowan	4.50
Chester Stewart	12.00
Stanley Thrasher	2.00
Richard Sullivan	1.00
Donald Dyer	1.00
Leo Perkins	5.00
Clifton Cook	1.50
Harvey Stewart	4.00
Vernon Walker	1.00
Arthur Adams	3.00
Edwin Smith	2.00
Chas. Proctor	1.00
Robert Leet	2.00
Unexpended	203.50
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	\$ 510.00

HYDRANT RENTAL

Appropriation	\$ 2,625.00
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EXPENDITURE

Clinton Water District	\$ 2,625.00
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FIRE INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$ 889.20
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EXPENDITURE

Boothby & Bartlett	\$ 889.20
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STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$ 1,203.84
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EXPENDITURE

Central Maine Power Co.	\$ 1,071.42
Unexpended	132.42
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	\$ 1,203.84

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation	\$ 125.00
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EXPENDITURE

Treasurer of State	\$ 125.00
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DENTAL CLINIC

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
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EXPENDITURE

William F. Kierstead, D.M.D.	\$ 100.00
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TOWN DUMP

Appropriation	\$ 200.00
Town of Benton	100.00
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	\$ 300.00

EXPENDITURE

Harold Simonson	\$ 300.00
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TOWN POOR

The Public Laws of 1951, Chapter 351, prohibits the printing of the names of paupers in the town report.

Appropriation	\$ 2,000.00
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Reimbursements:

Case No. 1	408.00
Case No. 13, 1952 bill	75.00
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	\$ 2,483.00
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EXPENDITURES

Case No. 1	\$ 428.96
Case No. 2	6.25
Case No. 3	7.00
Case No. 4	61.00
Case No. 5	5.00
Case No. 6	92.60
Transients	.85
Unexpended	1,881.34
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	\$ 2,483.00

OTHER TOWN'S POOR

Received from other Towns	\$ 598.51
Due from other Towns	131.92
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	\$ 730.43

EXPENDITURES

Case No. 1	\$ 328.94
Case No. 2	165.45
Case No. 3	198.98
Case No. 4	12.06
Case No. 5	25.00
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	\$ 730.43

STATE POOR

Received from State	\$ 1,350.08
Due from State	105.18
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	\$ 1,455.26

EXPENDITURES

Case No. 1	\$ 755.09
Case No. 2	242.60
Case No. 3	31.20
Case No. 4	69.73
Case No. 5	328.82
Case No. 6	23.82
Case No. 7	4.00
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	\$ 1,455.26

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$ 700.00	
Overdraft	120.13	
	<hr/>	\$ 820.13

EXPENDITURE

Treasurer of State	\$ 820.13
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RE-WIRING HIGH SCHOOL

Received from James Striar	\$ 2,970.00
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EXPENDITURE

A. H. Ulmer & Son, wiring and fixtures	\$ 2,970.00
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REPAIRING HIGH SCHOOL FURNACE

Appropriation	\$ 750.00	
Overdraft	173.42	
	<hr/>	\$ 923.42

EXPENDITURES

C. C. Church, shovel work	\$ 12.75	
Loubier's Electrical Service	910.67	
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BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$ 650.00	
Brown Co., interest	406.00	
State Stipend	45.50	
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EXPENDITURE

Brown Memorial Library	\$ 1,101.50
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MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$	60.00
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EXPENDITURE

Willett-McKenney Post No. 186	\$	60.00
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PUBLICITY BUREAU

Appropriation	\$	25.00
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EXPENDITURE

Maine Publicity Bureau	\$	25.00
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INTEREST

Received from:

Tax Liens	\$	78.51
Delinquent Taxes		12.38
Transferred from Excise Tax		321.61

	\$	412.50
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EXPENDITURE

Federal Trust Co.	\$	412.50
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REDUCTION OF DEBT

Appropriation	\$	3,000.00
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EXPENDITURE

Federal Trust Co.	\$	3,000.00
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TEMPORARY LOANS

Received from Smith & Co.	\$24,547.50
Transferred from Excise Tax	452.50

	\$25,000.00
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EXPENDITURE

Federal Trust Co.	\$25,000.00
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COUNTY TAX

Appropriation	\$ 1,402.75
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EXPENDITURE

County Treasurer	\$ 1,402.75
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OVERLAY

Assessed	\$ 1,701.31
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Unexpended	\$ 1,701.31
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Road Department

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$ 4,000.00
Insurance refund	47.59
Somerset Drive-In, grader work	476.00
Town of Canaan, sale of chloride	23.00
Town of Canaan, grader work	10.00
State, flood damage reimbursement	39.94
Transferred from School Dept. grading school yard	55.65
Irvin M. Holt, grader work	100.00
Overdraft	303.67
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	\$ 5,055.65
	\$ 5,055.65

EXPENDITURES

Truck and Labor	
Hosea Hunt	\$ 779.99
Roderick Hunt	10.01
Carl Ireland	231.16
Clifton Stewart	20.88
Thomas Galusha	21.32
Harold Simonson	16.53
Gus Gustafson, Jr.	37.47
Donald Starbird	22.62
Earl Carr	13.05
Holman Gibson	40.75
Lloyd Downs	22.88
Edward Bessey	1,037.12
Leo Perkins	49.60
John Nason	6.09
Harold Holt	9.57
Harvey Stewart	6.87
William Hall	24.80
Robert Morang	10.00

Bert Greeley	6.09
John McLellan	66.30
Leon Vincent	302.36
Keith Webber	22.36
Ray Proctor, Jr.	2.67
David Richards	2.67
Earl Pratt	4.50
Frank Willett	6.96
George Flood	16.02
Jasper Dangler	22.19
John Young, Jr.	14.12
L. A. McNally	15.00
Materials, supplies and equipment:	
Percy Lassalle, fence damage	60.00
Bancroft & Martin, culverts	382.39
Fairfield Publishing Co., signs	23.10
Warren Bros., cold patch	298.25
Proctor & Bowie, supplies	2.60
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	40.18
Harold O. Pelley, Calcium Chloride	138.00
Harry Fall & Son, plank	199.18
Frank Murray, gravel	12.45
Leon Nelson, stringers	22.75
Stanley Wells, trailer	25.00
Clinton Water District, tank	10.00
Soule Glass & Paint Co., chemical	173.60
Merton Brown, gravel	25.00
Emmons Richardson, gravel	9.00
L. J. Dole, spraying equipment	113.01
C. C. Church, shovel	37.80
Bean's General Store, supplies	3.88
L. L. Gerald, supplies	1.30
Gus Gustafson, gravel	9.30
Galusha's Garage, supplies	12.83
J. L. Goodale, right of way	5.00
George McKenney, supplies	12.40
W. M. Keene, supplies	10.35
Grader Supplies:	
Harry Chamberlain, insurance	101.94
Southworth Machine Co., supplies	154.45
Fox & Ginn, express	9.20
Treasurer of State, fuel Tax	85.94
Dirigo Oil Co., fuel	109.20
Bill's Service Station, supplies	19.12
Transferred to Stanley Gerald Road	72.92
\$ 5,055.65	

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation	\$ 4,500.00
Received from State	2,380.00
Levi Miller,	1.00
Overdraft	294.10
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	\$ 7,175.10

EXPENDITURES

Lee Brothers, contract	\$ 6,060.50
Treas. of State, winter maintenance	316.80
Treas. of State, salt and loading sand	144.96
George Dixon, sanding	72.73
Floyd Bartley, sanding	84.20
Gus Gustafson, sand	20.00
Leon Vincent, sanding & hauling snow	202.09
Carleton Green, sanding	15.23
Harold Simonson, sanding	15.88
Robert Hall, sanding	9.43
Keith Webber, hauling snow	35.00
Edward Bessey, loading snow, clearing sidewalks	123.69
Virgil Estes, plowing sidewalks	58.00
Jasper Dangler, labor	1.31
George McKenney, repairing sander	15.28
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	\$ 7,175.10

SPECIAL RESOLVE MAINTENANCE

Appropriated by Town	\$ 300.00
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EXPENDITURES

Edward Bessey	\$ 160.53
Merton Brown, gravel	36.40
Kenneth Pitman, gravel	101.40
Unexpended	1.67
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	\$ 300.00

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriated by Town	\$ 200.00
Overdraft	.92
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	\$ 200.92

EXPENDITURES

Donald Reid	\$	52.20	
Fred Reid		52.20	
L. J. Dole, brush spraying supplies		96.52	
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	\$		200.92

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$	1,200.00	
Received from State		2,090.02	
Overdraft		37.25	
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	\$		3,327.27

EXPENDITURES

John McLellan	\$	237.12	
Leon Vincent		248.36	
Keith Webber		226.24	
Ray Proctor, Jr.		120.15	
Gus Gustafson, Jr.		90.48	
Hosea Hunt		70.76	
George Flood		77.43	
David Richards		41.39	
S. B. Salsbury		178.12	
Edward Bessey		165.88	
William Hall		38.28	
Floyd Strickland		41.76	
Robert Morang		13.91	
Frank Morris		69.60	
Bert Greeley		33.93	
Alton Pooler		37.41	
Jasper Dangler		24.80	
Leon Nelson		98.13	
Francis Tuttle		41.76	
C. C. Church, shovel		405.00	
J. J. Pelotte, shovel		168.00	
J. J. Pelotte, bulldozer		676.00	
Bancroft & Martin, culverts		126.56	
Leon Nelson, loam		54.10	
Kenneth Pitman, gravel		42.10	
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	\$		3,327.27

TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND
BATTLE RIDGE

Appropriated by Town	\$ 700.00	
Received from State	1,262.17	
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EXPENDITURES

Hosea Hunt	\$ 158.86	
John McLellan	180.96	
George Flood	158.86	
Leon Vincent	185.64	
Ray Proctor, Jr.	153.52	
Keith Webber	90.78	
Gus Gustafson, Jr.	74.88	
William Hall	30.88	
Leon Nelson	20.88	
Edward Bessey	96.53	
C. C. Church, shovel	264.53	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.	103.33	
Frank Murray, gravel	407.20	
Bancroft & Martin, culverts	22.64	
Unexpended	12.68	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,962.17

TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND
HUNTER ROAD

Appropriated by Town	\$ 500.00	
Received from State	1,083.92	
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EXPENDITURES

Hosea Hunt	\$ 92.12	
John McLellan	112.32	
Holman Gibson	87.36	
George Flood	92.12	
Leon Vincent	117.00	
Ray Proctor, Jr.	89.45	
Keith Webber	93.45	
William Hall	24.80	
Leon Nelson	7.83	

Edward Bessey	65.78	
C. C. Church, shovel	158.01	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.	68.68	
Frank Murray, gravel	75.00	
Unexpended	500.00	
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		\$ 1,583.92

TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND MUTTON LANE

Received from State	\$ 1,304.21
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EXPENDITURES

John McLellan	\$ 168.48	
Leon Vincent	156.00	
Gus Gustafson, Jr.	134.16	
Keith Webber	133.50	
George Flood	144.18	
Hosea Hunt	103.45	
Leon Nelson	46.98	
Edward Bessey	90.81	
C. C. Church, shovel	226.17	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.	100.48	
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		\$ 1,304.21

TARRING HILL ROAD

Appropriated by Town	\$ 900.00
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EXPENDITURE

Paid State Highway Comm., tarring	\$ 752.34	
Unexpended	147.66	
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		\$ 900.00

HORSEBACK ROAD

Appropriated by Town	\$ 225.00	
Overdraft	41.60	
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		\$ 266.60

EXPENDITURES

John McLellan	\$	29.64	
Leon Vincent		29.64	
Gus Gustafson, Jr.		29.64	
Keith Webber		25.36	
George Flood		24.02	
Leon Nelson		8.27	
Edward Bessey		16.46	
C. C. Church, shovel		41.10	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.		17.27	
Merton Brown, gravel		45.20	
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	\$		266.60

PHILLIP WRIGHT ROAD

Appropriated by Town	\$	225.00	
Overdraft		3.25	
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	\$		228.25

EXPENDITURES

Hosea Hunt	\$	18.69	
John McLellan		21.84	
George Flood		18.69	
Leon Vincent		21.84	
Keith Webber		18.69	
Ray Proctor, Jr.		18.69	
Gus Gustafson, Jr.		21.84	
Leon Nelson		6.09	
Edward Bessey		11.44	
C. C. Church, shovel		29.19	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.		12.95	
Frank Murray, gravel		28.30	
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	\$		228.25

STANLEY GERALD ROAD

Appropriated by Town	\$	225.00	
Transferred from Highway and Bridges		75.98	
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	\$		297.98

EXPENDITURES

Hosea Hunt	\$	24.03
John McLellan		28.08
George Flood		24.03
Leon Vincent		28.08
Keith Webber		24.03
Ray Proctor, Jr.		24.03
Gus Gustafson, Jr.		28.08
Leon Nelson		7.83
Edward Bessey		15.73
C. C. Church, shovel		37.45
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.		15.31
Frank Murray, gravel		41.30
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	\$	297.98

GUS GUSTAFSON ROAD

Appropriated by Town \$ 225.00

EXPENDITURES

John McLellan	\$	26.52
Leon Vincent		26.52
Gus Gustafson, Jr.		26.52
Keith Webber		22.69
Leon Nelson		7.40
Edward Bessey		13.94
C. C. Church, shovel		34.93
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.		15.31
Emmon Richardson, gravel		45.00
Unexpended		6.17
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	\$	225.00

THOMAS COURTNEY, JR., ROAD

Appropriated by Town \$ 225.00

EXPENDITURES

John McLellan	\$	28.08
Leon Vincent		28.08
Gus Gustafson, Jr.		21.84
Keith Webber		24.03
Leon Nelson		7.83

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Edward Bessey	14.30	
C. C. Church, shovel	36.99	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.	16.88	
Emmons Richardson, gravel	44.80	
Unexpended	2.17	
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		\$ 225.00

WILLARD AYERS, JR., ROAD

Appropriated by Town	\$ 500.00
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EXPENDITURES

John McLellan	\$ 62.40	
Leon Vincent	62.40	
Gus Gustafson, Jr.	62.40	
Keith Webber	53.41	
Leon Nelson	17.39	
Edward Bessey	33.25	
C. C. Church, shovel	85.21	
John Young, Jr., shovel opp.	37.29	
Frank Murray, gravel	71.40	
Unexpended	14.85	
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		\$ 500.00

PLEASANT STREET SIDEWALK

Appropriation by Town	\$ 750.00
Paid Warren Bros. Co.	\$ 750.00

TARRING HORSEBACK ROAD

Transferred from Excise Tax by vote of Town	\$ 1,200.00
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EXPENDITURE

State Highway Commission	\$ 1,192.65	
Unexpended	7.35	
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		\$ 1,200.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation	\$ 200.00
Balance 1952 trust funds	168.94
American Tel. & Tel. Co., interest	18.00
George Putnam Fund, interest	750.00
Transferred from Excise Tax	60.00
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	\$ 1,196.94

EXPENDITURES

Village, Old Village and Evergreen:

George Tibbetts	\$ 2.50
Earl Pratt	2.50
Daniel Pratt	6.63
Carlton Walker	2.50
Donald Starbird	1.50
Leon Willett	2.50
Leon Starbird	1.50
Edward Page	1.50
George Waldron	139.14
Beatrice Waldron	53.64
Fern Emerson	82.15
Lionell Emerson	24.39
Clifford Dixon	77.65
Estelle Stinson	10.88
Jasper Dangler	5.63
A. A. Booker	3.42
Everett Nelson	16.51
Thelma Coro	6.00
Gordon Keene	18.00
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	\$ 458.54

Nobles' Ferry:

Coburn Raymond	\$ 45.10
Floyd Strickland	8.40
George Tibbetts	1.50

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Earl Pratt	1.50
Daniel Pratt	1.50
Carlton Walker	1.50
Robert Leek	1.50
Glen Irish	1.50
Donald Starbird	1.50
Wendell Gibson	1.50

\$ 65.50

Joy:

Frank Patterson	\$ 21.44
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Town House Hill:

Coburn Raymond	\$ 28.90
George Tibbetts	1.00
Earl Pratt	1.00
Daniel Pratt	1.00
Carlton Walker	1.00
Robert Leek	1.00
Glen Irish	1.00
Donald Starbird	1.00
Wendell Gibson	1.00

\$ 36.90

Morrison's Corner:

Floyd Strickland	\$ 54.78
George Tibbetts	1.00
Earl Pratt	1.00
Daniel Pratt	1.00
Carlton Walker	1.00
Robert Leek	1.00
Glen Irish	1.00
Donald Starbird	1.00
Wendell Gibson	1.00

\$ 62.78

Riverview:

Riverview Cemetery Association	\$ 50.00
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\$ 695.16

Unexpended balance to 1954

501.78

\$ 1,196.94

Financial Statement

ASSETS

GENERAL FUND

Cash in Bank	\$ 6,383.84	
1953 taxes	3,885.22	
Prior years taxes	207.42	
1952 Tax Liens	661.37	
1951 Tax Liens	153.66	
1950 Tax Liens	88.87	
1949 Tax Liens	221.02	
1948 Tax Liens	167.20	
Accounts Receivable	257.45	
Investments	443.50	
Sinking Fund	214.87	
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		\$12,684.42

RESERVES

Cemetery Trust Fund	\$13,152.00	
Library Fund	6,512.50	
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		\$19,664.50
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Total Assets		\$32,348.92
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Net Deficit		5,209.24
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		\$37,558.16

LIABILITIES

GENERAL FUND

Bonds Payable	\$15,000.00	
Due Pratt Fund	1,500.00	
Due Library Trust Fund	27.50	
Authorized expenditures:		
Schools	864.38	
Cemetery Trust Funds	501.78	
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RESERVES

Securities — Cemetery Fund	\$12,752.00	
Time Deposits — Cemetery Fund	400.00	
Securities — Library Fund	6,512.50	
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		\$37,558.16

SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFT & UNEXPENDED BALANCES

	OVERDRAFT	UNEXPEN'D
Town Officers Salaries		\$ 106.50
Miscellaneous	\$ 528.09	
Town Hall	135.61	
Fire Protection	235.82	
Firemen's Salaries		203.50
Street Lights		132.42
Highways and Bridges	303.67	
Snow Removal	294.10	
Special Resolve Maintenance		1.67
Cutting Bushes	.92	
State Aid Construction	37.25	
Town Road Improvement Fund —		
Battle Ridge Road		12.68
Tarring Hill Road		147.66
Horseback Road	41.60	
Phillip Wright Road	3.25	
Gus Gustafson Road		6.17
Thomas Courtney Road		2.17
Edgar Hunter Road		500.00
Willard Ayers, Jr., Road		14.85
Tarring Horseback Road		7.35
Town Poor		1,881.34
Aid to Dependent Children	120.13	
Repairing High School Furnace	173.42	
Overlay		1,701.31
Excise Tax		4,030.27
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	\$ 1,873.86	\$ 8,747.89
Net Unexpended	\$ 6,874.03	
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	\$ 8,747.89	\$ 8,747.89

School Department Report

ESTIMATE OF SCHOOL BUDGET For Year Ending February 15, 1955

	Expended Yr. Ending Feb. 15, 1954	Est. Expend. Yr. Ending Feb. 15, 1955
School Maintenance Account:		
Teachers	\$29,371.15	\$34,632.00
Fuel	1,161.89	2,304.00
Janitor	2,530.00	2,556.00
Conveyance	6,895.74	7,502.00
Textbooks	1,594.13	1,600.00
Supplies	2,268.46	2,100.00
H. S. Tuition	1,848.55	2,818.00
Superintendence	1,078.84	1,111.00
	<hr/> \$46,748.76	<hr/> \$54,623.00
Estimated Resources:		
Balance 1953-54	\$ 823.40	
State subsidy	16,609.00	
Tuition receipts	1,000.00	
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Necessary Town Appropriation		
School Maintenance		\$36,191.00
Repairs	\$ 996.77	1,000.00
Estimated Resources		
Balance 1953-54	\$ 40.98	41.00
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Necessary Town Appropriation		
Repairs		\$ 959.00
Necessary Town Appropriation		
All School Accounts		\$37,150.00

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Superintending School Committee
and Citizens of Clinton:

My annual report as superintendent of the public schools of Clinton is submitted herewith for your consideration.

ENROLLMENT

Following is a table showing pupil enrollment and distribution as of February 1, 1954

Grade	Ferry	Morr. Cor.	Elementary	High School	Total
1	2	6	31		39
2	7	1	21		29
3	5	3	25		33
4	3	8	37		48
5	5	5	22		32
6	1	4	30		35
7	4	5		21	30
8	3	5		24	32
9				28	28
10				21	21
11				16	16
12				9	9
Totals	30	37	166	119	352

As indicated in the chart above, there was a total of 352 pupils enrolled in the schools of the town on February 1st. This represents an increase of eighteen pupils over the number enrolled at the same time a year ago. According to statistics of potential beginning pupils, a large first grade enrollment is anticipated for several years. Consequently, as these pupils progress through elementary school and high school, larger enrollments can be expected on all grade levels.

FACULTY

There have been three changes in the faculty since the close of school last June, and one new teaching position has been added. At the high school Mr. Charles Merrill has replaced Mr. Herbert Jabar as teacher of social studies and coach of athletics; and Mrs. Carolyn Bean has succeeded Mrs. Elinor Sanford as commercial teacher. Due to illness in the family, Mrs. Mary Davis found it necessary to discontinue teaching at the end of the school year. The vacancy caused by her resignation as teacher of the Ferry School has been filled by Mrs. Girlandine Libby.

IMPROVEMENTS

Considerable stride has been made in the improvements of the Clinton schools during the past few years. At this time last year your attention was called to the progress which had been accomplished in the plan to expand school facilities, thereby permitting a reorganization of the elementary grades which would reduce the pupil-teacher load and tend toward a more effective teaching program. There remained, however, a serious bottleneck in the middle grades. This was caused by the combined fourth, fifth, and sixth grades with an enrollment of eighty-eight pupils occupying two rooms. In order to offer these pupils equal opportunities with those in other grades, the school officials decided to seat each of these three grades in separate rooms. It was possible to carry out this plan by using the recently completed classroom which for the past year had served as a music and activity room. To effect this reorganization it was necessary to employ an additional teacher. Mrs. Henrietta Witham, a teacher of considerable experience, was obtained for the sixth grade. At present each elementary teacher in the town proper has only one grade, which assists materially in increasing teaching efficiency. Experience has shown that it is false economy in return for effective pupil learning situations to overload a teacher excessively in an attempt to reduce the cost of instruction.

REPAIRS

The need for two major physical improvements at the high school building has been realized by the modernizing of the lighting facilities and the heating plant.

The inefficient and inadequate lighting system in the class rooms has been replaced by complete new wiring, and the installation of modern, instant start, fluorescent fixtures. This type of fixture emits abundant and glareless light, giving greater eye comfort and reducing strain. The project was made possible through the generosity of Mr. James Striar who defrayed the cost. To him we wish to express our warmest thanks and appreciation.

An oil burner was installed in the furnace, and an underground storage tank of 1000 gallon capacity was provided. The heating equipment was completely checked for necessary repairs, and defective parts were replaced. With the installation of this new equipment, a marked improvement in the heating of the building has been noted.

The exterior of the Ferry School was painted.

The interior of the Morrison Corner School was painted, and the chalkboards were dyed a harmonizing green.

Through the cooperation of the town manager, Mr. Harold Bean, a grader was made available for leveling a portion of the grounds about the high school and the elementary school. Gravel was spread on the grounds adjacent to the building at the elementary school.

The flagpole at the elementary school was repaired and painted.

EQUIPMENT

Some of the most significant items purchased are listed herein:

Ten pupil desks for the high school.

A teacher's desk and chair for the sixth grade room.

Social studies texts, Grade 6.

Replacement of spellers, Grades 4 and 5.

Replacement of arithmetic texts, Grade 5.

U. S. and World Outline Maps, Grades 7 and 8.

A set of World Book Encyclopedias for the high school library.

Science equipment for the high school laboratory.

A new typewriter and a set of bookkeeping texts for the commercial department.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Although the gravel supplied for the grounds at the elementary school helped to improve conditions, a considerable quantity is still required to build up the surface over the clay base. In previous reports the desirability of hard surfacing a portion of the play area, and particularly the approaches to the building, has been pointed out. At the request of parents of children attending elementary school, an article appears in the warrant asking for funds to complete the work on the grounds.

A matter which should be given attention in the near future concerns a change in the manner of heating the rural schools. The oldfashioned wood burning stoves in these schools should be replaced with oil burning heaters. This would eliminate the necessity of starting the fire early in the morning, and waiting around in the cold for the room to get warm. One room school buildings such as these are being heated by oil burning equipment with a much greater degree of efficiency, since even heat can be maintained and controlled in accordance with the temperature.

A study made in 1952 by the American Textbook Publishers Institute showed that it cost an average of \$5.53 per pupil in the first six grades for adequate text material. The per pupil cost was lowest in the first grade, but increased progressively to the sixth grade. This indicates that the cost is correspondingly greater in the upper grades. The per capita cost for textbooks in Clinton has been considerably less than the average found in this survey. It is hoped to continue the replacement of worn and obsolete texts, and to supply the schools in so far as possible with supplementary book material. An effort has been made to furnish each classroom with some essential supplementary material, but the amount has necessarily been limited, inasmuch as the money allocated for books has been needed chiefly for the replacement and the addition of basic texts.

The school lunch continues to function under the able direction of Mrs. Wishart. The value of this part of the school program is clearly demonstrated in the benefits the children derive from a hot, nutritional meal at noontime. The school committee recommends that the town assist financially toward payment of salaries for school lunch personnel, and an article has been inserted in the warrant to this effect.

BUDGET

In considering the budget of estimated expenditures which appears at the beginning of the "School Department Report", the following factors should be recognized since they are pertinent to the cause for the increase over last years' budget.

(1) At the 1953 session of the legislature a salary law which increases the minimum pay for teachers was enacted to become effective July 1, 1954. The law provides that teachers will be increased in accordance with their training and years of experience. The maximum for teachers with a bachelor's degree and eight years experience is \$3,200. Teachers now in service who are entitled to the maximum must be increased at least \$300 per year until they reach this amount. Clinton has four teachers who qualify in this category. Of the remaining teachers, two with three years training will be affected by the state salary schedule. Three year trained teachers with at least four years experience are entitled to a maximum of \$2,400. It will be necessary to increase these two teachers \$300 next year, and \$100 the succeeding year to reach their maximum. Teachers with a bachelor's degree and no experience must be paid at least \$2,400 per year with increasments of \$100 each year until they reach the maximum of \$3,200.

(2) Earlier in this report mention was made of the addition of a teacher to the faculty of the elementary school last fall. Provision has also been made in the budget for this extra teacher.

(3) Expenditures for operating the schools have been based on thirty-seven weeks rather than the usual thirty-six. This is due to the fact that an extra week of vacation was taken during the Christmas holidays because of the installation of the new lighting system at the high school. This week must be made up later during the current school year; expenditures for which must be paid from the budget of the next fiscal year.

(4) The annual salaries of the teachers are divided into twenty bi-weekly payments. Heretofore they have not received any pay during vacations. For sometime they have requested that their pay be continuous from September to June. This would not be any addition in yearly salary, but a matter of distribution. However, it means that funds for teachers' salaries for next Christmas vacation week must be included in the budget of the next fiscal year.

(5) Another contributory factor to the budgetary increase is the substantial increase in high school tuition. At present the town is paying secondary tuition for ten pupils who are enrolled in vocational courses in other towns. Although the town is reimbursed in part for tuition costs by state subsidy, the initial payment must be borne by the town.

Other items in the budget have been based as far as possible on actual previous year costs. It will be noted that the expenditure for fuel during the past fiscal year is relatively small. This is explained by the fact that it had been customary to purchase a year's supply of coal during the summer for the high school. Consequently, no fuel purchase was necessary for this building from February to June 1953. Oil, however, is paid for as consumed. Therefore, funds for the payment of oil from February to June, 1954 are included in this budget. Also it was estimated last year that the rural schools would need approximately five cords of wood instead of twelve as in previous years, since there seemed to be a fair supply in the sheds. At the close of school in June it was reasonable to assume that the amount of wood remaining at these schools would last until the end of the fiscal year. As a result no wood was purchased.

At the last session of the legislature the method of accounting was changed to include all items in the School Maintenance Account for which the town is entitled to receive subsidy. This change will be effective at the beginning of the next fiscal year. It will be noted that in this

report under "Estimate of School Budget" the superintendent's salary, heretofore a special account, has been included in the School Maintenance Account inasmuch as it is subsidized by the state.

The school committee has carefully examined each item in the proposed budget and has recommended that the sum of \$37,150 be appropriated for all school purposes.

CONCLUSION

I should like to express thanks to all school personnel for their loyal service, and to the citizens who have in any way cooperated in the best interests of the schools.

I particularly wish to acknowledge with appreciation the work of the members of the school committee whose time and efforts have been given so freely to the promotion of a school program which meets the needs of the youth of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SPRINGER,

Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

Raised by vote of Town for all school purposes	\$30,171.00	
State subsidy	16,609.80	
State reimbursement-prof. credits	150.00	
Tuition receipts	443.18	
Misc. receipts	122.00	
Balance 1952 - 53	1,113.93	
	<hr/>	\$48,609.91

EXPENDITURES

School Maintenance	\$45,669.92	
Superintendence	1,078.84	
Repairs	996.77	
	<hr/>	47,745.53
Unexpended		<hr/> \$ 864.38

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

RECEIPTS

Town appropriation for School Maintenance including instruction, fuel, janitor, conveyance, textbooks, supplies, and high school tuition	\$28,105.00	
State subsidy	16,609.80	
State reimbursement-prof. credits	150.00	
Tuition receipts	443.18	
Misc. receipts	45.00	
Balance 1952 - 53	1,134.65	
	<hr/>	\$46,487.63

EXPENDITURES

Elementary:—

Margery Fernald	\$ 1,995.00
Dorothy Whitten	1,995.00
Anna Weymouth	1,926.25

Elinor Walker	1,950.00
Vida Wiswell	1,900.00
Charlotte Gerald	1,900.00
Florice Reynolds	1,950.00
Frances Jones	1,900.00
Henrietta Witham	1,204.00
Girlandine Libby	1,050.00
Mary Davis	850.00
Sarah Peavey	40.00
H. A. Chamberlain Agency	59.75
Waterville Morning Sentinel	2.90
Independent Reporter	2.25
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	\$18,725.15

Secondary Teachers:—

Richard Mayo	\$ 3,040.00
Margaret Drew	2,427.50
Charles Merrill	1,365.00
Carolyn Bean	1,260.00
Herbert Jabar	1,072.50
Elinor Sanford	1,020.00
Pittsfield School Dept.	400.00
Winthrop Stanley	32.50
H. A. Chamberlain Agency	28.50
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	\$10,646.00

Fuel:—

C. K. Clauson	\$ 1,143.39
S. W. Fitzgerald	11.50
Ervin Crummett	7.00
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	\$ 1,161.89

Janitor:—

Thomas Simons	\$ 2,184.00
Maurice Howard	6.00
Mary Davis	18.00
Frances Jones	36.00
Girlandine Libby	18.00
Urania Simons	256.00
Mansfield Goodrich	10.00
David Watson	2.00
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	\$ 2,530.00

Conveyance:—

Robert Buzzell	\$ 5,666.68
Ivan Holt	1,190.00
H. A. Chamberlain Agency	39.06
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	\$ 6,895.74

Textbooks:—

Ginn and Company	\$ 338.84
H. M. Rowe Co.	5.86
Scott, Foresman & Co.	384.17
Silver Burdette Co.	127.63
Readers Digest	15.00
American Book Co.	20.15
Frontier Press Co.	62.78
Open Road	3.60
National Wildlife Federation	3.75
Webster Publishing Co.	68.06
McCormick-Mathers Publishing Co.	19.26
World Book Co.	79.42
Imperial Book Co.	9.53
Macmillan Co.	88.26
Hamilton Publishing Co.	1.50
L. W. Singer Co.	24.94
Laidlaw Brothers	71.80
J. P. Lippincott Co.	5.85
Fred L. Tower Co.	12.80
Allyn & Bacon	17.23
So. Western Publishing Co.	45.31
D. C. Heath & Co.	37.83
Severn-Wylie-Jewett Co.	1.75
Charles Bennett Co.	2.29
Prentice-Hall, Inc.	5.07
University of Chicago Press	3.62
American Council on Education	10.00
Field Enterprises, Inc.	94.36
Bobbs-Merrill Co.	16.02
Betts Bookstore	10.00
J. Weston Walch	7.45
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	\$ 1,594.13

Supplies:—

Central Maine Power Co.	\$ 466.41
J. L. Hammett Co.	254.09

Eastern Fire & Equipment Co.	18.86
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	96.68
Galusha's Garage	9.30
George Tibbetts	1.85
Pittsfield Hdw. & Plumb. Co.	23.30
M. F. Bragdon Paint Co.	78.05
Albert Pick Co.	8.71
A. A. Booker Co.	1.60
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	15.05
Rochester Germicide Co.	148.31
Allan H. Murray	10.00
L. C. Smith & Corona Typewriters	64.30
Blanchard Associates, Inc.	4.75
D. B. Donnelly	3.52
Clinton Water District	210.10
Cascade Paper Co.	42.96
William Springer	.66
Howard & Brown	6.45
Readers Digest	5.00
Consumers Union of U. S.	10.00
Beckley-Cardy Co.	20.59
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	13.90
Henrietta Witham	12.31
Clinton High School	107.78
Anna Weymouth	3.50
California Test Bureau	6.83
Frances Jones	38.14
Cambosco Scientific Co.	64.63
Pittsfield School Dept.	60.14
Judkins & Gilman Co.	10.11
Railway Express Agency	1.97
Lustra Corp. of America	67.92
Visual School Report Co.	17.42
Pittsfield Advertiser	11.96
Fox and Ginn	1.05
L. L. Gerald Co.	7.31
Inter-Collegiate Press	34.14
Treasurer of State	7.80
Educators Progress Service	4.50
Me. Maintenance Supply Co.	14.75
Sani-Clean Distributors	8.65
Loring, Short & Harmon	70.44
American Education Publications	19.80
Southard of Bangor	10.71
Charles T. Barney	3.64
Denoyer-Geppert Co.	49.15
Bo's Market	12.64
H. M. Rowe Co.	4.26

Berry's Market	3.27	
Herbert L. Palmer	99.20	
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		\$ 2,268.46
High School Tuition:—		
Fairfield School Dept.	\$ 843.19	
Waterville School Dept.	494.66	
Maine Central Institute	510.00	
Canaan School Dept.	.70	
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		\$ 1,848.55
Total expenditures		<hr/>
Unexpended		\$45,669.92
		\$ 817.71

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

SUPERINTENDENCE

RECEIPTS

Town appropriation	\$ 1,134.00	
Overdraft 1952-53	49.47	
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		\$ 1,084.53

EXPENDITURES

William Springer	\$ 1,078.84	
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Unexpended	\$	5.69

REPAIRS

RECEIPTS

Balance 1952-53	\$ 28.75	
Town appropriation	932.00	
Misc. receipts	77.00	
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		\$ 1,037.75

EXPENDITURES

Gideon Marshall	\$ 51.00	
D. B. Donnelly	14.14	
C. M. Harding	26.40	
Pittsfield Hdw. & Plumb. Co.	2.25	
Galusha's Garage	78.02	

Loring, Short & Harmon	6.89
Paris Mfg. Co.	51.49
Hersey Hdw. & Lumber Co.	188.08
Boothby & Bartlett	217.00
Town of Clinton	55.65
Clinton High School	10.80
L. L. Gerald	71.89
L. & H. Chevrolet, Inc.	12.00
J. L. Hammett Co.	4.05
C. C. Church	9.00
Beckley-Cardy Co.	92.41
Laurence Pooler	6.00
Wilfred Harrison	28.38
Harold Hanscom	5.00
Myron Watson	8.77
Loubier Electrical Service	15.00
Laurence Stinson	42.55

	\$ 996.77
Unexpended	\$ 40.98

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

Items	Available Resources	Expenditures	Balance
School Maintenance	\$46,487.63	\$45,669.92	\$817.71
Superintendence	1,084.53	1,078.84	5.69
Repairs	1,037.75	996.77	40.98
	\$48,609.91	\$47,745.53	\$864.38

ROSTER OF TEACHERS

Name	Preparation	Exp. No. Yrs.	Pres. Pos. No. Yrs.	Salary
Richard Mayo	University of Maine	5	1	\$3,200
Charles Merrill	Arnold College	7	0	2,600
Margaret Drew	Colby College	14	3	2,600
Carolyn Bean	No. Eastern Business College	0	0	2,400
Margery Fernald	Washington State Teachers Col.	21	6	2,100
Dorothy Whitten	Colby College	6	3	2,100
Henrietta Witham	Farmington State Teachers Col.	11	0	2,000
Florice Reynolds	Farmington State Teachers Col.	20	1	2,000
Elinor Walker	Farmington State Teachers Col.	14	3	2,000
Charlotte Gerald	Farmington State Teachers Col.	8	1	2,000
Anna Weymouth	Eastern State Normal School	14	7	2,050
Vida Wiswell	Gorham State Teachers Col.	15	10	2,000
Frances Jones	Farmington State Teachers Col.	31	10	2,000
Girlandine Libby	Colby College	22	0	2,000

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Myron Watson — Term expires 1954
 John Stephens — Term expires 1955
 Alice Witham — Term expires 1956

REPORT OF CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL

To the people of Clinton:

These past two years at Clinton High School have been trying, yet most rewarding years. The improvement in facilities, lighting, heating, etc., have been most gratifying. There has been approximately 12% increase in curriculum content. With some revision in time and class schedules this has been accomplished without a corresponding increase in teacher load. At the present time I feel that the various courses, study periods, and extracurricula duties are rather evenly distributed between the faculty. The faculty at Clinton High School now is, in my estimation, one of the best in the state for a school of this size. In terms of character, ability, training, experience, and understanding and interest in the students it is a very fine group of teachers.

Those areas where improvement is very much needed at this time would include: 1) A closer association and understanding between the parents, teachers, students, school board, and superintendant that each might see and help to relieve the problems of the others. 2) A fuller appreciation of the true values gained through competitive athletics, The development of character, sportsmanship loyalty, and an appreciation for the welfare of others, and a respect for their fellow man is all that can justify sports as an educational activity.

The reports on the Dental Clinic held in January have just recently been returned. Of the 233 reports that were reliable 40 students received recommendations to consult their family dentist in the near future; and 72 students were in need of immediate attention. Each parent has been notified of the condition of his child's teeth as indicated above. All students who were absent during the clinic or who's X-Ray was inadequate are urged to obtain a report through the clinic.

To the many good people of the town of Clinton who have made the education of their children the fine program it is, I extend my heartfelt thanks. Let me urge you to continue your efforts in their behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. MAYO, *Principal.*

Public Health Nursing

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953

In September of this year a new nurse was assigned to your area. As you must realize, it takes some time to become orientated to a new territory. Time, used in this manner, is essential to build up relationships in the community so that a good, workable health program can be carried on.

Child Health Conferences have been held monthly during the year, and have been most successful. There have been twelve conferences with a total attendance of 222. Each child was offered a physical examination, and immunizations were completed as follows: Smallpox 35, diphtheria 42, whooping cough 42, and tetanus 42. Child Health Conferences are a valuable service to any community, since *good* health is vitally important. Many deviations from normal are dependent upon early recognition and treatment for successful correction. Children found to be in need of medical care are referred to their family physician.

Home visits have been made to infants, preschools, and school children. Visits have been made to the schools on a consultation basis. Visits have been made to families with special problems. Services of the Crippled Children, Cardiac, and Pediatric clinics have been made available to infants and children in your community, and home visits have been made where indicated.

Audiometer testing was done in all the schools from the fourth grade up, with the exception of the High School group. If this service is desired, and the audiometer is available at a later date, arrangements will be made for the testing. (Grades one, two, and three are done by the teacher using the whisper method.) A total of 163 tests were given. Out of this number 22 showed apparent hearing defect. Too much stress cannot be put upon the importance of good vision and accurate hearing, for without these a child may be severely handicapped in performing to the best of his or her ability. Following the audiometer testing home

visits were made in behalf of children where indicated. It should be understood that testing of both eyes and ears in the school is done as a screening process only. If a child appears to be having difficulty, then he should be taken to a physician for further examination.

Suggestions for 1954 include continuing Child Health Conferences and more extensive home visiting. It might be well to consider school immunizations again this coming year.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude for your fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY MORTON,
Public Health Nurse.

Librarian's Report

To the Trustees of Brown Memorial Library :

The fifty-third annual report of the Library showing its condition for the year ending February 1st, 1954, is respectfully submitted to the Board.

The statistics are as follows: Number of Volumes reported last year, 5,722; Volumes added, 27; Volumes withdrawn, 68; Number of Volumes in Library February 1st 5,681.

Number of days open to the public, 148; Number of Volumes delivered for home use, 1,854; largest number delivered in one day, March 26, 40; smallest number delivered in one day, September 8th, 1; largest number delivered in one month, March, 234; smallest number delivered in one month, September, 77; average per day, 12; amount received for fines, \$9.46; incidental expenses, \$2.46; amount handed to treasurer, \$7.00.

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION

Fiction, 1,388; Philosophy, 1; Religion, 2; Social Science 14; Philology, 2; Natural Science, 34; Useful Arts, 32; Fine Arts, 18; Literature, 41; History, 6; Travels, 70; Biography, 46; Magazines, 200; Total 1,854.

ISSUED BY MONTH

		Reading Room	Reference
February	225	7	3
March	234	4	2
April	225	5	3
May	161	4	2
June	142	4	2
July	137	8	2
August	159	3	3

September	77	2	1
October	128	12	12
November	135	8	6
December	121	10	0
January	110	1	1
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	1,854	68	37

The Reading Room is at present supplied with the Saturday Evening Post given by the Fahocha Club, "Young Crusaders", given by Miss Sarah E. Richardson, Reader's Digest given by the Farm Bureau, and Our Dumb Animals and Specialty-Salesman Magazines.

The Library also serves as a meeting place for the Health Clinic.

We wish to thank all those who have donated books and magazines to the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

LOTTIE W. McNALLY, *Librarian.*

Auditor's Report

STATE OF MAINE
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 28, 1953

Board of Selectmen
Clinton,
Maine

Gentlemen :

In accordance with Chapter 16, Section 3, Revised Statutes of 1944, and at your request, the records of the Town of Clinton have been audited for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1953.

The examination was made by Auditor Paul H. Allen in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards that pertain to municipal accounting. Audit analysis was on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year, and included all procedures which were considered necessary. Insofar as could be ascertained within the scope of the examination, the financial transactions of the Town appear to have been appropriately handled, with such exceptions as may be noted in the accompanying comments.

Exhibits and schedules incorporated in this report present the result of the financial operations of the Town for the period designated. Recommendations are also offered which are believed to be worthy of your consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Very truly yours,

FRED M. BERRY, *State Auditor.*

COMMENTS

TOWN OF CLINTON

February 16, 1952 to February 14, 1953

An audit of the books and records of the Town of Clinton has been completed for the municipal year ended February 14, 1953. The audit included an examination of the records maintained by the Town Manager, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseer of the Poor, Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

The result of the audit indicates that the following suggestions appear worthy of consideration by the municipal officials:

Attention is directed to Chapter 225 of the Public Laws of 1947 which provides in part that deposits shall be made by the treasurer at least twice each month when balances exceed \$100.00.

During the fiscal year it was the practice of the town treasurer to cash checks from town funds. This practice is not considered a municipal function for it is believed that all receipts should be deposited intact in order to facilitate the identification of the daily receipts.

The valuation records of the town should be prepared so that all properties will be plainly described.

It is suggested that a study be made by the trustees of trust fund investments as of February 14, 1953, to determine if they comply with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 106 of the Revised Statutes of 1944 and Chapter 55, Section 38, Subsection I to IX of the Revised Statutes of 1944, as amended.

The examination consisted of a review of cash transactions as well as an analysis of revenues and expenditures. The result of the year's operations showed that available funds exceeded expenditures by \$5,299.49 and is summarized as follows:

Unexpended Balances	\$6,285.63
Overdrafts	986.14
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Net Unexpended Balances	\$5,299.49
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Overdrafts were noted in various appropriation accounts, (Exhibit D). The Department of Attorney General has advised that overdrafts are not permitted by statute except in certain instances where emergencies arise in highway activities and then only to the extent of 15% of the highway appropriation.

As a result of the examination of the town clerk's records it was ascertained that the transfer of excise tax monies to various operating accounts had been authorized at the annual town meeting and a special town meeting held December 3, 1952. It was also noted that at the special town meeting it was voted to transfer the \$750.00 appropriation from the sidewalk account to Mutton Lane Road Account.

REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

A comparative statement of revenues and expenditures (Exhibit B), disclosed that for the 1952 year, revenues increased by \$10,960.37 as compared with the previous year. Expenditures for the same period increased by \$14,240.16. The factors contributing to these differences, as compared with the preceding year, are as follows:

INCREASED REVENUES		INCREASED EXPENDITURES	
Real, Personal & Poll Taxes	\$ 4,049.38	Protection	\$ 1,271.08
State of Maine	4,876.40	Highways & Bridges	6,383.30
Contributions	1,662.50	Education	12,616.79
Other Accounts (net)	372.09	Other Accounts (net)	6,031.01
Net Increase	<u>\$10,960.37</u>	Net Increase	<u>\$14,240.16</u>

RESERVES AND SURPLUS

From the examination of the departmental accounts it was determined that the net unexpended balances carried forward to the ensuing year totaled \$1,113.93 and represented balances in certain education accounts.

The unappropriated surplus of \$11,115.07 at the beginning of the year was reduced to \$8,595.29 at the year end. This change was occasioned principally by appropriations totaling \$7,825.00, which were authorized by the townspeople, less the excess of available funds over expenditures of \$5,299.49.

DEBT FUND

The debt fund, incorporated in the balance sheet as a separate fund, reflects the outstanding bonds of the town totaling \$18,000.00 (Schedule A-8), which are to be retired from future revenues.

TRUST FUNDS

From the examination of the various funds held in trust by the town it was ascertained that the principals and income of the funds totaled \$20,592.00. The funds are represented by shares of stock in the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Brown Company and the George Putnam Fund of Boston in the amount of \$200.00, \$6,312.50 and \$12,552.00 respectively and an amount of \$1,527.50 due from the general fund.

Attention is directed to the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 106 of the Revised Statutes of 1944 which reads, in part:

"City and town officers . . . shall hereafter invest all permanent funds including . . . money or credits deposited with them for perpetual care of lots in cemeteries . . ."

The above quotation from the Revised Statutes applies. In this instance, to the cemetery fund of \$1,500.00 which was deposited in the general funds of the town in prior years.

The transaction covering the purchase of shares of stock in the George Putnam Fund of Boston during the year with trust fund monies should be reviewed to determine compliance with statutory provisions governing the investment of such funds.

GENERAL

From the examination of the mortgage receivable of \$2,660.00 it was noted that payments were not received during the fiscal year. It was further noted that the agreement, in regards to this note, states that payments shall be \$30.00 per month with interest.

From an analysis of treasurer's receipts and deposits it was determined that town funds were being used to cash checks for other than town business. Checks totaling \$2,886.99 had been cashed, deposited and returned by the bank for insufficient funds, however, the checks were subsequently redeposited and the town suffered no apparent loss.

From the examination of vouchers it was ascertained that included in the 1952-53 expenditures were items totaling approximately \$400.00, the invoices of which were dated prior to the previous year end.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Count of cash was made and records were checked to determine the accuracy of handling cash transactions. The system of internal control was reviewed as pertained to the handling of cash and other matters of financial concern. Revenues and expenditures were examined by methods and to the extent deemed necessary. Letters of verification were utilized to determine the correctness of tax and tax lien accounts. Trust fund transactions were reviewed. Insurance and bond coverages were examined.

Included in this report are exhibits and schedules pertaining to the financial status of the town. Auditing procedures were followed to the extent deemed necessary to develop these statements.

It is believed that the accompanying balance sheet and supporting statements fairly present the financial position of the town at February 14, 1953, and the result of its operations for the year then ended.

EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

GENERAL FUND

ASSETS

	February 14, 1953	February 15, 1952
Cash in Bank	\$ 5,564.46	\$ 8,204.87
Accounts Receivable (Schedule A-1)	312.79	380.90
Due from Sinking Fund	237.50	
Mortgage Receivable (Schedule A-2)	2,660.00	2,660.00
Taxes Receivable (Schedule A-3)	3,692.09	2,592.57
Tax Liens (Schedule A-4)	1,086.98	950.93
Investments (Schedule A-5)	443.50	424.00
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TOTAL — GENERAL FUND	\$13,997.32	\$15,213.27
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DEBT FUND

ASSETS

Amount Necessary to Retire Bonds from Future Revenue	\$17,997.73	\$20,764.83
Sinking Fund (Schedule A-7)	239.77	235.17
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TOTAL — DEBT FUND	\$18,237.50	\$21,000.00
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TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

Time Deposits		\$12,142.17
Securities (Schedule A-9)	\$19,064.50	6,512.50
Due from General Fund (Schedule A-9)	1,527.50	1,527.50
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TOTAL — TRUST FUNDS	\$20,592.00	\$20,182.17
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TOWN OF CLINTON

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GENERAL FUND

LIABILITIES

	February 14, 1953	February 15, 1952
Accounts Payable (Schedule A-6)	\$.60	
Due Trust Funds	1,527.50	\$ 1,527.50
Trust Fund Deposits	100.00	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,628.10	1,527.50
Deferred Revenue		
Sale of Town Farm	2,660.00	2,660.00
RESERVE		
Authorized Expenditures (Exhibit D)	1,113.93	89.30
SURPLUS		
Unappropriated Surplus (Exhibit C)	8,595.29	11,115.07
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TOTAL — GENERAL FUND	\$13,997.32	\$15,213.27
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DEBT FUND

LIABILITIES

Bonds Payable (Schedule A-8)	\$18,000.00	\$21,000.00
Due General Fund	237.50	
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TOTAL — DEBT FUND	\$18,237.50	\$21,000.00
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TRUST FUNDS

LIABILITIES

Principals and Income (Schedule A-9)	\$20,592.00	\$20,182.17
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TOTAL — TRUST FUNDS	\$20,592.00	\$20,182.17
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EXHIBIT B

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
YEARS ENDED FEBRUARY 15,

REVENUES:	1953	1952	1951
Real, Personal and Poll Taxes	\$ 69,421.81	\$ 65,372.43	\$65,553.20
Excise Taxes	5,151.45	5,371.65	4,677.56
Supplemental Taxes	56.00	55.00	72.48
State of Maine	25,881.55	21,005.15	9,686.48
Cost and Interest on Taxes and Tax Liens	343.72	270.86	279.45
Town Hall Rent	202.64	137.40	230.00
Town Hall Reimbursements		71.00	
Fire Reimbursements	10.00	1.00	
Fire Truck Refund		16.83	
Town Poor Reimbursements	1,134.80	106.00	305.82
Poor — Other Municipalities	1,780.46	1,930.92	2,458.53
Tuition	1,056.50	1,106.37	653.80
Sale of Books, Supplies and Equipment	139.90	54.07	240.40
Income from Trust Funds	964.34	769.48	535.10
Highway Reimbursements	193.59	33.75	201.02
Dump Reimbursements	100.00	100.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	3.94	273.36	92.05
Damage Claim	96.44	900.00	
Insurance Refunds	1,662.50		
Strair Contributions			
TOTAL REVENUES	\$108,535.64	\$ 97,575.27	\$85,085.89
ADD:			
Transfers from Surplus	7,825.00	4,200.00	3,345.00
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund			
	116,360.64	101,775.27	88,430.89

DEDUCT:

Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund	538.91		
Revenue Applicable to Appropriation		270.20	
Carrying Balances	1,203.23		
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$115,157.41	\$101,505.07	\$85,993.87

EXPENDITURES:

General Government	\$ 6,028.97	\$ 5,936.10	\$ 5,579.30
Protection	6,434.59	5,163.51	5,246.11
Health and Sanitation	425.00	525.00	567.60
Highways and Bridges	29,529.73	23,146.43	19,533.01
Charities	5,432.26	6,195.74	6,190.75
Education	54,669.18	42,052.39	38,111.61
Library	1,101.50	1,157.75	980.00
Cemeteries	603.90	543.16	565.44
Interest	1,045.80	447.29	650.00
Municipal Indebtedness	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
Unclassified	308.79	150.22	459.79
Special Assessments	1,278.20	7,300.17	1,328.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	109,857.92	95,617.76	81,211.61

EXCESS OF AVAILABLE FUNDS OVER EXPENDITURES

	\$ 5,299.49	\$ 5,887.31	\$ 4,782.26
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Town Warrant

To Myron Watson, a Constable of the Town of Clinton, in the county of Kennebec and State of Maine:

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Clinton, aforesaid, qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on the first day of March, A. D. nineteen hundred and fifty four at six o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire a Town Manager, fix his compensation and raise and appropriate the money for the same. (Recommended, \$3,00.00)

ARTICLE 3. To elect by secret ballot, the following officers: Three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor; Town Clerk; one member of the School Committee; Fire Warden; one Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library; as provided by vote of the Town, adopted at a special Town Meeting held at Clinton Town Hall on the nineteenth day of June, A. D. 1952.

ARTICLE 4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to make temporary loans in anticipation of taxes and to issue and negotiate notes therefor, or renewals thereof, or any votes in place of such original notes when such original notes have been paid, to an amount which at any time shall not exceed in the aggregate the total tax levy of the preceeding municipal year in which they are issued out of money raised during such current year by taxes, in accordance with the provisions of the revised Statutes of Maine, 1944, Section 96, Chapter 80 and any amendments pertaining thereto. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply what money may be received from the payment of the Excise tax on the interest account and the Amassa Pratt Cemetery Fund interest account. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 8. To see what rate of interest the Town will vote to charge on all unpaid taxes after the fifteenth day of February, 1955. (Recommended 6%)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 to pay on the bonded indebtedness of the Town for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$3,000)

ARTICLE 10. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay the School Committee for their services for the ensuing year and raise and appropriate money to pay for same. (Recommended, \$75.00)

ARTICLE 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Poor, Veteran's Aid and Old Age Supplement for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$2,000.00)

ARTICLE 12. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Town Clerk, Health Officers and Fire Warden for the ensuing year and raise money for the same. (Recommended, \$1,000.00)

ARTICLE 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire Insurance Premiums for the ensuing year. Insurance to cover all Town Property, Schools, Library, Town Hall, and all personal property of the Town. (Recommended, \$889.20)

ARTICLE 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and maintenance of all Town Cemeteries for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$200.00)

ARTICLE 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Miscellaneous Town Charges for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$1,500.00)

ARTICLE 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for all school purposes for the ensuing year, as follows:

A. Common and secondary schools	\$35,080.00
B. School repairs	959.00
C. Superintendence	1,111.00
Total	<hr/> \$37,150.00

ARTICLE 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Highways and Bridges for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$4,000.00)

ARTICLE 18. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid Road construction (in addition to the amounts, regularly raised for the care of Ways, Highways, and bridges, under the provisions of Section 25 and 29, Chapter 20, R. S. 1944, as amended. (Recommended, \$1,200.00)

ARTICLE 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Patrolling Special Resolve roads. (Recommended, \$300.00)

ARTICLE 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the cutting and spraying of bushes on Town ways. (Recommended, \$1,000.00)

ARTICLE 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the application of tar on the Hill Road, starting at the end of the present tar and leading northerly to the end of the new construction. (Recommended, \$750.00)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to erect and construct a guard rail fence pass the McNally or Town Pit on the Horseback Road and raise and appropriate money for the same. (Recommended, \$400.00)

ARTICLE 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended on the Coburn Raymond road. (Recommended, \$250.00)

ARTICLE 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended on the Stanley Gerald road. (Recommended, \$300.00)

ARTICLE 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended on the Norman Dean road. (Recommended, \$200.00)

ARTICLE 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended on the D. H. Emerson road. (Recommended, \$150.00)

ARTICLE 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended on the Edgar Hunter road. (Recommended, \$700.00)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to rebuild the bridge across the Decker Brook on the so-called Peavey Road and raise and appropriate money for the same. (Recommended, \$500.00)

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to be expended by the Selectmen for the construction of permanent sidewalks on Morrison Avenue. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Aid to Dependent Children. (Recommended, \$1,000.00)

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$850.00 for the maintenance of the Town Hall. (Recommended, \$850.00)

ARTICLE 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Snow Removal from highways and sidewalks, for sanding highways, and for hauling away of snow from the business section of the Village for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$4,000.00)

ARTICLE 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Street Lights for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$1,203.84)

ARTICLE 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of Fire Protection for the ensuing year; including storage, repairs, gas, oil and insurance. (Recommended, \$700.00)

ARTICLE 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Observance of Memorial Day. (Recommended, \$60.00)

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$125.00 for Public Health Nursing in Clinton, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health for local services. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be expended under the supervision of the School Board for the continuance of the Dental Clinic for children for the ensuing year. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to pay the salaries of the members of the Fire Department. Said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen. (Recommended, \$500.00)

ARTICLE 39. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95 of the Revised Statutes. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,625.00 for Hydrant Rental for the ensuing year. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for the support of the Brown Memorial Library for the ensuing year. (Recommended, \$650.00)

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to pay to Harold Simonson the sum of \$200.00 in payment for the use of the Town Dump, and raise and appropriate the same. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$5,064.30 to be appropriated from the cash surplus to be paid to the State Treasurer for the town's share of the construction of the Osborne Bridge. (Recommended, yes)

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$300.00 to help defray the cost of operating the School Lunch program and raise and appropriate the same for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 to be used for the purpose of grading and Warreniting around the Elementary School building and raise and appropriate the same for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to investigate a method of eliminating the pollution in the Tannery Brook and appoint a committee to assist the Selectmen in this investigation. Said committee to report at a special town meeting.

ARTICLE 47. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the above named hall and place of meeting, on Saturday, February 27th from 10:00 A. M. to 12:00 Noon, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Notice: Polls will be open from 6:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 12:00 noon.

Business meeting will begin at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Given under our hands at Clinton, this 20th day of February, A. D. 1954.

CARROLL W. KEENE

KEITH HUNTER

EDWARD BESSEY

Selectmen of Clinton.

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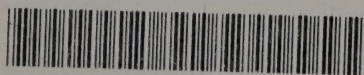


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